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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN

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TAGS: OREP (EILBERG, JOSHUA), SHUM UK
SUBJECT: CODEL EILBERG

REF: BELFAST 170

1. A SENIOR OFFICIAL OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE
CALLED THE CONGEN AT 10A.M. TODAY (AUGUST 29) TO SAY
THAT THE NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE IS IMMEDIATELY ISSUING
A LOW KEY STATEMENT THAT WILLIAM GALLAGHER HAS
INDICATED TO HIS MEDICAL OFFICER HE WISHES TO RESUME
EATING. HE IS BEING GIVEN AN APPROPRIATE DIET, AND HIS
PROGRESS TOWARD THE RESUMPTION OF A NORMAL DIET IS BEING
WATCHED CAREFULLY. THE OFFICIAL STATED THE DECISION
TO RESUME EATING WAS GALLAGHER'S.

2. AT THE CONGEN'S REQUEST, THE OFFICIAL REVIEWED
GOVERNMENT POLICY ON HUNGER STRIKES BY PRISONERS.
HE STATED THAT FOR SEVERAL YEARS IT HAD BEEN POLICY
THAT THE DECISION TO STOP A HUNGER STRIKE IS TAKEN
BY THE PRISONER STRIKING. THERE IS NO FORCE FEEDING.
DURING A HUNGER STRIKE, A MEDICAL OFFICER CONTINUOUSLY
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AND CAREFULLY MONITORS THE CONDITION OF THE STRIKER,
AND GIVES HIM EVERY OFFER OF ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE. THE
OFFICIAL REPEATED THAT THE DECISION TO BEGIN A HUNGER
STRIKE, AND TO STOP STRIKING IS THAT OF THE PRISONER
ALONE.

3. CODEL WAS IN THE CONGEN'S OFFICE WHEN THIS MESSAGE

WAS RECEIVED, AND WAS INFORMED IMMEDIATELY.

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